

**NEXT WEEK**

25 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2019	Author Visit – Alan Bissett	
27 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2019	S3 Report issued	

**FORTHCOMING**

2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec 2019	Senior Phase Assessment Starts	
10 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2019	S1 Pantomime Trip – Jack and the Beanstalk	
13 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2019	Senior Phase Assessment Ends	
17 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2019	Christmas Concert @ 7pm- 9:30pm	
20 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2019	School Closes at 12.30pm	

**P Assemblies**

Year group assemblies take place week beginning 25<sup>th</sup> November: S1 on Monday, S2 on Tuesday, S3 on Wednesday, S4 on Thursday and S5/6 on Friday.

B Lee

**P Rights Respecting Schools Award Questionnaire**

Thank you to all pupils and all members of staff who completed our Rights Respecting Schools Award Questionnaire. We will now summarise and share the results of the survey and identify what we need to do as a school to raise awareness of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child and work towards our Silver award.

B Lee

**P Children in Scotland Visit**

Children in Scotland, a children's rights organisation, are visiting our school on Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> November to ask young people in S1-S3 in Lesmahagow High School what they think makes a good teacher. This information will be used as part of a review by the General Teaching Council for Scotland of the Professional Standards followed by all teachers. Members of the Rights Respecting Schools Awards group, the Pupil Council and other interested young people will have the opportunity to take part in the workshops. We hope that this will be an interesting and enjoyable day for everyone involved. Pupils who are participating in the workshops should go to B107 at 9 am on Monday morning. Consent forms should be returned to Miss Lee in advance of the workshops. Please see Miss Lee if you have any questions.

B Lee

**P December Assessments**

Good luck to all Senior Phase students who will have exams from Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Exam timetables have been issued by Mr Gray – there are spare copies available from the school office if needed. Please see Mr Gray if you have any questions about the December assessments or SQA exams.

B Lee

**P Printing**

Please remember that students can request to print an essay/assignment in B208.

B Lee

**P Blazer Exchange**

We would love to receive donations of any unwanted items of school uniform, particularly school blazers, so that we can provide a 'blazer exchange'. When we have sufficient stock, we hope to offer students the opportunity to exchange their blazer for a new size. If we don't have your size available, a token would be given meantime. **Please note:** It would be helpful if blazers were washed before they are donated so that we can arrange the exchange quickly.

B Lee

**P EMA – S5/6**

EMA application forms can be collected from the School Office or downloaded from the South Lanarkshire Council website. On the Council website, click on 'Education and Learning', then 'Secondary School Information', then 'Education Maintenance Allowance'. If you need any help with this, please see Mr Robertson or your Pupil Support Teacher.

It is your responsibility to complete and send the application form.

When you receive an award letter with your EMA number on it, bring this to Mr Robertson who will then issue a copy of the Learning Agreement to be signed by your teachers and Parent/Carer. You should then return the completed Learning Agreement to Mr Robertson and the school office will then process your EMA.

Only when you have completed all of the above will the payment process begin. Please see Mr Robertson if you have any questions about EMA.

**D Robertson**